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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please delete the following paragraph before the heading at page 8, last line of the substitute specification, added in the previous office action:

Figure 8 is a view of the warehousing arrangement.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 20, line 22 of the substitute specification as follows:

In the context of the invention, a warehousing arrangement 200 as shown in Fig. 8 could be used as a support structure for capsules 8 containing defective rods for very long-duration warehousing. For this purpose, the warehousing arrangement 200-containing at least one case 210-whose top portion is open can be placed in the fuel pool, in order to receive capsules. Sealed covers 201 can close the case 210 so that the capsules 8 and the case 210 define a sealed barrier. Instead of case 210, loading structure 20 could be placed inside the warehousing arrangement 200. It is possible to fill the cases outside the pool, in a suitable installation.